

Please replace all prior versions of the claims with the following claim listing:

CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method of transporting a customized user interface environment, based on ~~an operating system~~ a software environment which permits customization of user interface environments but which does not ~~itself~~ directly provide for machine-independent invocation of a customized environment, comprising the actions of, at various times:

- a) operating a utility program on a first computer to store customized program-specific settings on a storage medium;
- b) operating ~~the a-second~~ utility program on a second computer to reconfigure said second computer to use said customized program-specific settings transferred from the storage medium;
- c) reconfiguring the second computer by merging configuration and program information of said first computer into a local system environment of said second computer; and thereafter
- d) operating said second computer in accordance with said settings without performing a system reboot.

2. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said step a) stores said settings onto a portable data medium.

3. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein said step a) also stores environmental settings.

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